

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

APPLICATION OF RURAL CELLULAR)	
CORPORATION D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS FOR)	
ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC)	
CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO CONSTRUCT)	
A WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS FACILITY IN THE)	CASE NO.
COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY IN THE)	2017-00128
COUNTY OF PULASKI)	

ORDER

On March 14, 2017, Rural Cellular Corporation d/b/a Verizon Wireless (“Verizon Wireless”), filed an application seeking a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“CPCN”) to construct and operate a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of an antenna tower not to exceed 105 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located on 1170 Bourbon Road, Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 37°02’20.56” by West Longitude 84°38’42.26”.

Verizon Wireless has provided information regarding the structure of the tower, safety measures, and antenna design criteria for the proposed facility. Based upon the application, the design of the tower and foundation conforms to applicable nationally recognized building standards, and a licensed professional engineer has certified the plans.

Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063, Verizon Wireless has filed statements of having provided the required notifications regarding the proposed construction. Pursuant to 807 KAR 5:063, Verizon Wireless has filed evidence that the county judge/executive and all property owners within 500 feet and contiguous to the cell site have been notified of the proposed construction. The notices solicited any comments and informed the recipients of their right to request intervention. To date, no public comments have been filed with the Commission.

Verizon Wireless has filed applications with the Federal Aviation Administration (“FAA”) and the Kentucky Airport Zoning Commission (“KAZC”) seeking approval for the construction and operation of the proposed facility. The FAA approved Verizon Wireless’s application, and KAZC’s decision is pending as of the date of this Order.

The Commission, having considered the evidence of record and being otherwise sufficiently advised, finds that Verizon Wireless has demonstrated that a facility is necessary to provide adequate utility service and, therefore, a CPCN to construct the proposed facility should be granted.

Pursuant to KRS 278.280, the Commission is required to determine proper practices to be observed when it finds, upon complaint or on its own motion, that the facilities of any utility subject to its jurisdiction are unreasonable, unsafe, improper, or insufficient. To assist the Commission in its efforts to comply with this mandate, Verizon Wireless should notify the Commission if the antenna tower is not used to provide service in the manner set out in the application and this Order. Upon receipt of such notice, the Commission may, on its own motion, institute proceedings to consider the proper

practices, including removal of the unused antenna tower, which should be observed by Verizon Wireless.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

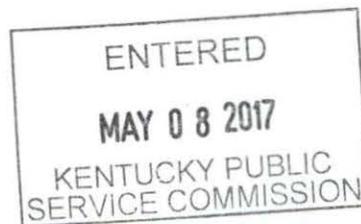
1. Verizon Wireless is granted a CPCN to construct a wireless telecommunications facility. The proposed facility consists of an antenna tower not to exceed 105 feet in height, with attached antennas, to be located on 1170 Bourbon Road, Somerset, Pulaski County, Kentucky. The coordinates for the proposed facility are North Latitude 37°02'20.56" by West Longitude 84°38'42.26".

2. Verizon Wireless shall file a copy of the final decision regarding the pending KAZC application for the proposed construction within ten days of receiving the decision.

3. Verizon Wireless shall immediately notify the Commission in writing if, after the antenna tower is built and utility service is commenced, the tower is not used for a period of three months in the manner authorized by this Order.

4. Documents filed, if any, in the future pursuant to ordering paragraphs 2 and 3 herein shall reference this case number and shall be retained in the utility's general correspondence file.

By the Commission



ATTEST:


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